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August 25, 2004

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Subject: Acceptance of Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, Kingston Canyon Rock Mine, S/031/009, Piute County, Utah

Dear Mr. Beckstrom:

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations for your proposed Kingston Canyon Rock project, received August 2, 2004. We apologize for the delay in responding to your application as we have been trying to work out the interagency transfer of the permit fee. We have been advised by our accounting department that the transfer of the fee should be completed this week. It has also been determined that because you are a sister agency, the requirement for a reclamation surety will be waived at this time.

The Division finds your application complete with no additional information required by this office at this time. The Division hereby grants its final acceptance of your small mining notice of intention. **You may commence with your mining operations as outlined, provided you have satisfied and received written acceptance from the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration to proceed.**

Please assure that you do not expand beyond the 2.5 acres outlined in your small mining application without first amending your notice and receiving written authorization from this office and SITLA to expand. It is helpful to mark the perimeter of your project area with metal t-posts or some other marker of equal effectiveness to assure you do not expand beyond the 2.5 acre limit.

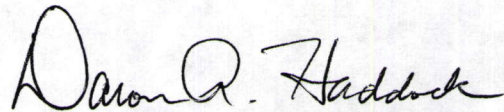
For your reference, we have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-summary). Please give special consideration

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to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices." Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5325 or Lynn Kunzler at 538-5310. Best wishes with your new mining venture.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daron R. Haddock". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Daron" being more prominent than the last name "Haddock".

Daron R. Haddock  
Permit Supervisor  
Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosure: SMO summary  
cc: John Blake, SITLA  
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